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## EASLEY APPOINTS PEARSON TO SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW BOARD

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley appointed **Dr. Richard G. Pearson** of Raleigh to the North Carolina Safety and Health Review Board.

Pearson has been the professor of industrial engineering at North Carolina State University since 1966. He is also a forensic consultant in safety, an expert witness and a forensics consultant. Pearson's additional areas of expertise include human factors engineering, industrial and consumer product design, occupational accidents and highway and driver accidents. He received his bachelor's degree from Perdue University in 1952, his master's in industrial psychology from Perdue in 1953 and his doctorate in experimental psychology from the Carnegie Institute of Technology in 1961.

The North Carolina Safety and Health Review Board hears and issues decisions on appeals entered from citations, abatement periods and penalties issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Division of the Department of Labor. There are two levels of adjudication. Cases are initially tried before a hearing examiner who issues a decision, and the decision is subject to review by the board. The board has three members who are all appointed by the Governor. The members serve a six-year term.

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